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Dear Cap:

As we discussed on Air Force One, the President is anxious to complete the National Space Strategy Study required by NSSD 13-82 as rapidly as possible. The study will offer him options toward a more vigorous U.S. Space Program before this summer.

I appreciate your agreement that the DOD will move forward in the NSSD 13-82 effort. You indicated you wanted to discuss implementation details with Dick DeLauer and Fred Ikle. As a means of expediting the study, we plan a revised procedure by which the agencies will study those areas that relate to their specific responsibilities in lieu of interagency working groups. Results of the individual agency reviews will be presented to the SIG/IG(Space).

We plan to convene a SIG(Space) meeting on approximately March 25.

Sincerely,



William P. Clark

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